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*Press Release*

## PHILIPPINE EMBASSY HOSTED THE PRESENTATION OF RAMON MAGSAYSAY AWARD TO DR. MUHAMMAD AMJAD SAQIB

Secretary of Foreign Affairs Teodoro Locsin Jr., through the Philippine Embassy in Islamabad, conferred the Ramon Magsaysay Award medallion and certificate to Dr. Muhammad Amjad Saqib of the Akhuwat Foundation on 26 November at the Official Residence.



*Chargé d'affaires Dan Erwin C. Bagaporo while presenting the Ramon Magsaysay Award medallion to Dr. Muhammad Amjad Saqib*

Dr. Saqib established the Akhuwat Foundation which aims to help poor Pakistani families and to alleviate the country from poverty through interest-free lending. At present, Akhuwat is a leading microfinance model, and the Pakistani government is currently developing a larger loans program, The Kamyab Pakistan Program, mirrored on its principles of brotherhood/sisterhood.

Pre-recorded messages from the Secretary of Foreign Affairs Teodoro Locsin Jr. and Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation President Ms. Susan Afan lauding Dr. Saqib and Akhuwat for instilling greatness in humanitarian work were played during the event.



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*From lower left: Pakistan Foreign Affairs Assistant Director (SEAP-I) Aleena Hemayun, Philippine Honorary Consul General Imran Yousuf, Chargé d'affaires Dan Erwin Bagaporo, Dr. Muhammad Amjad Saqib, Mrs. Farrukh Amjad, previous Ramon Magsaysay Awardee Shoaib Sultan Khan and Philippine Honorary Consul Fahdel Sheikh, together with the Philippine Embassy diplomats and staff, posing for a photo outside the Official Residence*

On 30 November, the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation virtually held the 63rd Ramon Magsaysay Award Presentation Ceremonies.

